

**WE THINK MORE OF CHILDREN, WOMEN AND  
MEN THAN OF BEEF, PORK AND MUTTON**

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## **QUARTET OF NERVY BANDITS ATTEMPT TO ROB CHICAGO & ALTON "HUMMER"**

**Fail to Blow Safe—Make Get-Away Empty Handed  
After Gun Battle With Posse.**

### **PASSENGER STEAMER GOES ASHORE**

**Sixty Passengers on Board;  
Snowstorm Prevails;  
Reported Safe.**

Atlantic City, N. J., Dec. 24.—  
The United Fruit Co.'s steamer  
Turrialba, which went ashore off  
Barnegat early today, has been  
located by the life-saving station  
at Little Beach. The vessel is  
three miles off shore.

Sixty passengers are aboard. A  
driving snowstorm makes it im-  
possible to see a boatlength. Capt.  
J. M. Lindsay has sent wireless  
messages that the vessel was in  
no danger.

Wrecking tugs from New  
York sent out to aid the Turrial-  
ba reached Ambrose Light, but  
could get no further because of  
the storm. The revenue cutter is  
in the same plight.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 24.—Four  
bandits held up the Chicago &  
Alton "Hummer," the fast Chi-  
cago-Kansas City train, at Iles,  
near here, made five unsuccessful  
efforts to blow the safe in the ex-  
press car, and fled empty handed  
after a battle with a posse which  
arrived on a switch engine while  
the robbers were at work.

Passengers were not molested.  
There were thousands of dollars  
worth of Christmas presents from  
Chicagoans to friends in the  
southwest in the express car.

The bandits climbed over the  
tender, forced the engineer to  
stop, and, after uncoupling the  
National Express car, ran it down  
the track a hundred feet.

The engineer was forced at the  
point of a revolver to walk back  
to the express car. One of the  
bandits guarded the express mes-  
senger and engineer while the  
others attempted to blow the safe.

Flagman Horace Smith became  
suspicious when the train was  
stopped and ran back to Iles Junc-